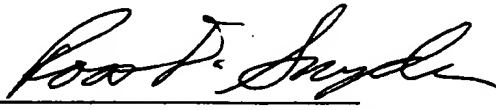


**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-21 have been allowed. Applicant files herewith a request for continued examination. Applicant has amended the claims to add claims 22-34. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of pending claims 22-34.

Respectfully submitted,

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